

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1349

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel PRINCE NOVA, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. DOCUMENTATION OF THE VESSEL PRINCE**
2 **NOVA.**

3 (a) DOCUMENTATION AUTHORIZED.—Notwithstand-
4 ing section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920 (46
5 U.S.C. App. 883), section 8 of the Act of June 19, 1886
6 (24 Stat. 81, chapter 421; 46 U.S.C. App. 289), and sec-
7 tion 12106 of title 46, United States Code, the Secretary
8 of Transportation may issue a certificate of documentation
9 with appropriate endorsement for employment in the
10 coastwise trade for the vessel PRINCE NOVA (Canadian
11 registration number 320804).

12 (b) EXPIRATION OF CERTIFICATE.—A certificate of
13 documentation issued for the vessel under subsection (a)
14 shall expire unless—

15 (1) the vessel undergoes conversion, reconstruc-
16 tion, repair, rebuilding, or retrofitting in a shipyard
17 located in the United States;

18 (2) the cost of that conversion, reconstruction,
19 repair, rebuilding, or retrofitting is not less than the
20 greater of—

21 (A) 3 times the purchase value of the ves-
22 sel before the conversion, reconstruction, repair,
23 rebuilding, or retrofitting; or

24 (B) \$4,200,000; and

25 (3) not less than an average of \$1,000,000 is
26 spent annually in a shipyard located in the United

1 States for conversion, reconstruction, repair, rebuild-
2 ing, or retrofitting of the vessel until the total
3 amount of the cost required under paragraph (2) is
4 spent.

Passed the Senate November 13, 1997.

Attest:

Secretary.

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